Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar *(Nellayi):* May I know the total amount of profit accrued?

Mr. P. V. Rahpael *(Comptroller of Finance and Accounts):* About Rs. 2,39,897.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar *(Nellayi):* Will the Government be pleased to utilise it for paying subsidy to the agriculturists?

Mr. P. V. Raphael *(Comptroller of Finance and Accounts):* That profit was passed on for reducing the selling price of wheat, Sir.

CASE DIARIES—GRANT OF COPIES TO ACCUSED—CORRESPONDENCE REGARDING

259. Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether recently communications were not sent to the District Magistrate or the Sub-Magistrate or both requiring them not to grant copies of case diaries to the accused provided for under section 143 of the Cochin Criminal Procedure Code ;

(*b*) if so, why ?

Khan Sahib Y. M. Roshan Sahib Bahadur *(Commissioner of Police):*

(*a*) No.

(*b*) Does not arise.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri):* Is the Hon'ble Member for Police aware that this question has been answered in the affirmative on an earlier occasion?

Khan Sahib Y. M. Roshan Sahib Bahadur *(Commissioner of Police):* Not to my knowledge.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri:):* Was any correspondence had on the subject of the grant of copies of case diaries in criminal cases between the Magistracy and the Police Department?

Khan Sahib Y. M. Roshan Sahib Bahadur *(Commissioner of Police):* There was some time ago when my predecessor was here. He wrote to the District Magistrate to clarify the position whether copies of case diaries can be granted automatically or only on scrutiny of the case diaries by the Magistrate?

260. Mr. P. P. Devassy *(Trichur-South):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether the Police Inspectors in a meeting assembled passed a resolution condemning the action of the 2nd class Magistrate of Talappalli in having given copies of case-diary in a case ;

(*b*) whether the Commissioner of Police addressed the District Magistrate on this matter ;

(*c*) whether the District Magistrate has sent any circular to the Magistrates in persuance of this communication ?

Khan Sahib Y. M. Roshan Sahib Bahadur *(Commissioner of Police):*

(*a*) No.

(*b*) & (*c*) Does not arise.

Mr. P. P. Devassy *(Trichur-South)* May I know whether the Police Commissionr addressed a communication to the District Magistrate stating that copies shall not be granted without the permission of the Inspector or the Prosecuting Inspector.

Khan Sahib Y. M. Koshan Sahib Bahadur *(Commissioner of Police):* There was no such communication from the commissioner.

Mr. P. Kmaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri):* Was there any resolution passed to the effect that the system of granting copies of case diaries may be discouraged?

Khan Sahib Y. M. Roshan Sahib Bahadur *(Commissioner of Police):* There was no resolution like that.

Mr. P. P. Devassy *(Trichur-South):* Was there an instance wherein the grant of copies by the Magistrate of Talappalli was protested against?

Khan Sahib Y. M. Roshan Sahib Bahadur *(Commissioner of Police):* It was not a question of protest. The grant of copies was regulated by law. In one of the meetings the Sub-Inspectors discussed this matter and referred the question to the Police Commissioner and he addressed the District Magistrate to clarify the position. There was no resolution as such. They discussed various subjects. One of the subjects was regarding the grant of copies of case diaries.

Mr. P. P. Devassy *(Trichur-South):* Is there any record of the proceedings of that meeting?

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Mr. Khan Sahib Y. M. Roshan Sahib Bahadur *(Commissioner of Police)*: Yes.

Mr. P. P. Devassy *(Trichur-South)*: Was it said at the meeting that the action of the Magistrate was not proper?

Mr. Khan Sahib Y. M. Roshan Sahib Bahadur *(Commissioner of Police)*: It was not said like that. The law as it stands now says that a Magistrate can grant copies provided as he is satisfied there was nothing objectionable.

Mr. P. P. Devassy *(Trichur South)*: May I know what was the record in the proceedings regarding the action of the Magistrate?

Khan Sahib Y. M. Roshan Sahib Bahadur *(Commissioner of Police)*: It was not with reference to any o e particular Magistrate. They wanted instructions from the Police Commissioner regarding the procedure that they should adopt in the matter. It was neither a protest nor an objection taken to the action of any particular Magistrate.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon *(Chittur-Rural)*: Is this practice in vogue in British India?

Khan Sahib Y. M. Roshan Sahib Bahadur *(Commissioner of Police)*: Yes.

CASES—DETECTION OF—TEXTILE CONTROL ORDERS

261. Mr. K. Narayana Menon *(Mulakunnathukavu)*: Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) the number of cases detected by Textiles Department under the Control Orders;
(*b*) the names of the persons (dealers) against whom action has been taken if any;
(*c*) the nature and result of such action as in (*a*)?

Khan Sahib Y. M. Roshan Sahib Bahadur *(Commissioner of Police)*:

(*a*) 70 cases were brought to the notice of the Government.

(*b*) Messrs 1. K. K. Nataraja Ayyar, Indian Stores, Ernakulam.
" 2. Hussain Abdulla Sait, Bombay Agency, Ernakulam.
" 3. K. M. Varappan, Coronation Hall, Ernakulam.
" 4. Subha Ayyar, S/o Vaidyanatha Ayyar, Ernakulam.
" 5. Koladi Ittoop and Koladi Ukkru sons of Varied, Parayil Angady, Kunnamkulam.
" 6. V. K. Asnar Rawther, Cloth Merchant, Cheruthuruthi.
" 7. M. I. Kandoo, Merchant, Valanjamblam, Ernakulam.
" 8. V. R. Rappai, High Road, Trichur.
" 9. P. L. Porinchu, High Road, Trichur.
" 10. T. R. Joseph, High Road, Trichur.
" 11. T. S. Rama Krishna Ayyar, Merchant, Thiruvillwamala.

(*c*) 59 dealers have been let off with warning. Five prosecutions have been sanctioned. (First five in the answer to (*b*)) the license of one dealer was cancelled (6th in the answer to (*b*) and the licenses of 5 dealers were suspended for periods varying from 3 to 7 days (dealers from 7 to 11 in the answer to (*b*) above).

Mr. K. Narayana Menon *(Mulakunnathukavu)*: May I know the authority who let off with a warning these 50 dealers?

Khan Sahib Y. M. Roshan Sahib Bahadur *(Commissioner of Police)*: The Cloth and Yarn Control Order is being administered by the Director of Industries.

Mr. P. P. Devassy *(Trichur-South)*: May I know, whether this deviation from the practice of not divulging names of persons prosecuted has been done in public interests?

Khan Sahib Y. M. Roshan Sahib Bahadur *(Commissioner of Police)*: The whole prosecution itself is a public matter. There is no secrecy about it.

FIREWOOD—CONTROL OF PRICES—PARTICULARS REGARDING

262. Mr. P. Narayana Menon *(Trippunittura)*: Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) does the controlled price of firewood per ton vary in each taluk;
(*b*) if so, why?

Mr. S. Venkateswaran *(Conservator of Forests)*:

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The price of firewood in each taluk is fixed at different rates to correspond with the variation in collection, transport and handling charges.

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